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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Colonel White,
Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Sheldon,
Mr. Kent, [REDACTED]

MR. DULLES:

[REDACTED]

b. Raised the question of closing the [REDACTED] Training Site,
and asked DD/S if anything had been decided at the luncheon yesterday
with [REDACTED]

Colonel White replied that nothing final had been decided other than
some decision must be made immediately in view of budgetary con-
siderations on the part of [REDACTED] and CIA. In the dis-
cussion that ensued, the following points were made clear:

[REDACTED]

2. Subject to Office of Training and Security approval,
there will be no objection to the [REDACTED]
using the facilities of the CIA club and any quarters that
might be available.

3. The [REDACTED] will be advised that the Agency
has dropped its plans for closing out our training activities
at this location. In this connection it was agreed, however,
that such a statement did not preclude discontinuance at any
time should such action become necessary.

While it was agreed that some savings could be effected should [REDACTED]
be closed, the Director pointed out that in all sincerity he did not feel

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the Agency should be left without ^athe training facility in this part ^{ye} of the world since it is impossible to forecast the need for this type of activity. He commented that the decision some time ago not to close [] is an excellent case in point.

b. Stated that in view of an incident that occurred yesterday regarding release of funds from the Agency Contingency Reserve for [] he felt that it is necessary to tighten up our procedures in dealing with the Bureau of the Budget in seeking BOB approval for such requests. He said that on balance he believed it would be more appropriate that when it becomes necessary to seek such releases, representatives approaching BOB should be limited to the Deputy level, to include Messrs. Helms, Barnes, Saunders, [] Colonel White pointed out that in his opinion it is fundamental that before an approach is made to BOB for release of funds from the Reserve, the project for which the funds are intended should be thoroughly reviewed. He commented such action is absolutely necessary in order to provide answers to questions such as could the program be financed in whole or part from savings, reduction of other projects, etc. Mr. Barnes pointed out that while he did not disagree with Colonel White, the Agency should not be expected to defend its operating programs to the BOB each time a withdrawal from the Reserve is requested. The Director noted his agreement but also concurred with Colonel White. Mr. Bissell suggested that a possible solution to this dilemma would be to designate Messrs. Saunders and Parrott and one or two technicians as appropriate to handle with the BOB requests for releases from the Reserve provided that they have thoroughly reviewed the program in question. General Cabell said in his opinion the inclusion of technicians would only attract detailed questioning.

In connection with the [] hassel, ^{the Dir said} it would be well ^{ye} to review our current [] operation and anticipated requests for withdrawals from the Reserve. He also stated that he believed a review of [] is in order since he had the impression that possibly we were saturating these people with more supplies than they could use.

c. Asked if we are doing all that we can in the current [] situation and Mr. Helms replied affirmatively.

d. Referred to the walk-in in [] and commented this fellow appeared to be awfully glib and we should proceed most carefully.